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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Date January 16, 1953 Time 3:10PM

Anna M. Rosenberg, Assistant

Secretary of Defense, tele

thru Secretary

Phone No. Code 131, ext. 52334

REMARKS

✓ Mr. Tolson _____
✓ Mr. Ladd _____
✓ Mr. Nichols _____
✓ Mr. Belmont _____
✓ Mr. Clegg _____
✓ Mr. Glavin _____
✓ Mr. Harbo _____
✓ Mr. Rosen _____
✓ Mr. Tracy _____
✓ Mr. Jones _____
✓ Mr. Mohr _____
✓ Mr. Winterrowd _____
✓ Tele. Room _____
✓ Mr. Holloman _____
✓ Mr. Sizoo _____
✓ Miss Holmes _____
✓ Miss Gandy _____

When informed of the Director's absence the secretary stated that Mrs. Rosenberg did not wish to speak with an assistant.

The secretary requested that Mr. Hoover return Mrs. Rosenberg's call when he returned to the office. She was informed that the Director would be told of the call.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. NICHOLS

Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg, Assistant Secretary of Defense, called me this afternoon. She stated that she was leaving town on Tuesday and didn't want to go without thanking me for the very great kindness which was extended to her about two years ago. She said she was grateful that she had been given two years of opportunity to do a job she thought might be of some use. I told her that it was very kind of her to call; that the Bureau had merely performed its duty. She offered the Bureau any possible assistance in the future.

Very truly yours,

H. E. H.

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BELMONT

FROM : SA P. R. BIDEZ *PRB*

DATE: January 27, 1953

SUBJECT:

ANNA M. ROSENBERG;
GERHARDT EISLER
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Last night, January 26, 1953, Congressman Donald L. Jackson, House Member from California and a member of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, gave me the following information in strict personal confidence. He indicated that the HCUA has information that Anna M. Rosenberg, former Assistant Secretary of Defense, met with Gerhardt Eisler while she was in Europe and passed to him certain security information, the nature of which he did not mention. He stated that subpoenas are being issued (or are going to be issued) and that the Committee has "two underlings" (I assume that they were formerly or are still in the Department of Defense) who will testify to this transfer of information. Congressman Jackson stated that the case has been assigned to him and that if it "shapes up" the way he expects, it is going to be of "earth-shaking magnitude -- even larger than the Hiss case."

Jackson stated that the security agencies of this country were going to be greatly embarrassed, especially the CID (Criminal Investigation Division of the Army).

Mr. Jackson was not advising me of this officially and I was not in a position to ask questions, as he would undoubtedly then ended the conversation. He advised that he may have to go to Germany within the next couple of weeks to work out some details of the case.

I feel that although Congressman Jackson is a close personal friend of mine, I could not go to him and ask for further details. However, if he should volunteer further information, I will immediately advise you.

ADDENDUM:

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I would suggest that we have Washington Field make confidential inquiry of former Agent Nixon for any information regarding this. Nixon is with the Committee and is very cooperative.

A. H. Belmont

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TO : *Director, FBI*

DATE: January

~~FROM : SAC, WFO~~

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[redacted] On January 29, 1953, an agent of this office contacted [redacted] to ascertain any possible information concerning an allegation against ANNA ROSENBERG's having made a meeting in Europe with GERHART EISLER.

[redacted] advised that this information is known only to two members of the House Committee on Un-American Activities and to three staff members, and he was exceedingly reluctant to discuss it at all and insisted that any disclosure of this information would jeopardize his position. (C)(u)

The informant stated that information was received from a CIC Agent to the effect that on her last European trip ANNA ROSENBERG was placed under surveillance by CIC. On one occasion she was in a private motor car, as distinguished from an Army vehicle, which was driven by a German civilian driver, and they were admitted across the border into East Germany, the Russian territory. The CIC Agents on surveillance were denied permission to cross the border; however, they were later successful in learning from their informants in East Germany that ROSENBERG had contacted GERHART EISLER. No further information relative to this incident could be obtained from the informant.

Informant states that the HCUA has written to the Secretary of Defense WILSON requesting a full report on this matter. They do not know what reply he will give, nor do they know exactly what steps they will take following receipt of his reply.

It is requested that every possible step be taken to maintain the security of this informant. 2/24/43

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UNRECORDED GENEALOGIES

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

FROM : V. P. Keay

SUBJECT: ANNA ROSENBERG
Information Concerning

CONFIDENTIAL DATE: February 12, 1953

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Reference is made to the letter from the SAC, Washington Field Office to the Director dated January 29, 1953, in which [redacted] stated that information had been received by the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) from a Counter Intelligence Corps (CIC) agent to the effect that on her last European trip, Anna Rosenberg had been under surveillance by the CIC when she had been admitted across the border into Eastern Germany. This CIC agent subsequently claimed to have been successful in learning from his informants in Eastern Germany that Rosenberg had contacted Gerhart Eisler. No further information relative to this incident could be obtained from the informant. On February 4, 1953, Army Liaison Agent John F. Sullivan, pursuant to instructions, contacted Major General R. C. Partridge, G-2, to determine if he had any further information on this incident. General Partridge stated that he had not, and that only that afternoon one of the counsels of the HCUA had visited him to determine whether he likewise had any further information concerning the activities of the CIC agent on the surveillance. General Partridge stated he also had advised the counsel for the HCUA that he had never heard of such an incident. If it had taken place, it had happened prior to his taking over the G-2 position. Since assuming that position, he added, nothing of this nature had come to his attention, and he was sure that if it had taken place, it would have been brought to his attention somehow since his appointment to G-2. (u)

The Liaison Agent promised to keep him posted on this matter, and General Partridge stated that he would do the same.

As an afterthought, General Partridge stated that when he was Assistant Chief of Staff in the American zone of Germany, it was a common thing for very important persons (VIP's) to slip into the Soviet zone for what purposes other than to say they had been there, he was unable to decipher. He also stated that it was quite possible that Mrs. Rosenberg, as well as all VIP's, had been assigned a bodyguard, which might have been misinterpreted as surveillance. (u)

RECOMMENDATION:

This is for your information, and the matter will be followed by Army Liaison with General Partridge. It is recommended that in the

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Memo to Mr. A. H. Belmont
From V. P. Keay

RE: ANNA ROSENBERG
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event further information in this matter is brought to the Bureau's attention, that it be forwarded to the Liaison Section for its guidance in handling further discussions with General Partridge.



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August 27, 1953

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Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg
444 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Rosenberg:

Special Agent Robert J. Jackson has advised me of his recent interview with you, and I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the generous comments which you made at that time concerning the FBI and my administration of its activities.

Your kind remarks are most gratifying to all of us, and we hope that we may always be able to discharge our responsibilities in a manner deserving of your confidence and esteem.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: It will be recalled that in the past various allegations have been received from different quarters to the effect that Mrs. Rosenberg has been affiliated with Communist and front organizations. Extensive investigation was conducted by the Bureau on several occasions, the last time being in 1950. These investigations disproved the allegations, and Mrs. Rosenberg was very grateful to the Bureau. (126-486-509)

Robert J. Jackson EOD 10-20-47 as SA; GS-12,
assigned New York.

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TO: Director, FBI
 FROM: SAC, New York (62-)
 SUBJECT: ANNA M. ROSENBERG, REMARKS OF

DATE: 8/13/53

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Mrs. ANNA M. ROSENBERG, former high Government official, was interviewed by SA Robert J. Jackson at her office at 444 Madison Avenue, New York City, regarding an individual who formerly worked for her.

At the end of the interview Mrs. ROSENBERG advised that she had the very highest regard for the FBI and its personnel and policies. She said that the very thorough and fair FBI investigation conducted at the time of her appointment to the Defense Department had saved her a great deal of embarrassment and that she would always be grateful to the FBI for the way it was handled.

She advised that she had been so impressed by the FBI's efforts in her own case that she had subsequently lectured to various Government organizations and individuals so as to enlighten them regarding the FBI's praiseworthy policy of fact finding to establish innocence as well as guilt.

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